

# Cottonwood Heights NEWS JOURNAL

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## RECOGNITION PROGRAM HONORS CHPD PERSONNEL

So what does it take to have a great party in Utah? (This is a serious question, not the beginning of a Utah joke.) How about good food, lots of desserts, funny stories, uniformed men, pretty ladies, a patriotic kick-off, and a good reason for coming together? All of those ingredients were present on Wednesday, September 23, as the 42 employees of CHPD met over dinner to honor their own. The Cottonwood Heights' Mayor and City Council, invited guests, including Neighborhood Watch and other community policing programs, and all their partners were also there to enjoy the occasion and to honor the officers and civilian personnel for their successes of the past one and one-half years.

Following months of planning and preparation and six months of organizing, CHPD began law enforcement operation on September

1, 2008. According to Chief Robby Russo, during the past 12 months, they have successfully handled a homicide, vehicular manslaughter, domestic

by the entertainment of Robert Kirby, humor columnist for the Salt Lake Tribune. Kirby is a very funny man and, as a former cop, he knew just the

right buttons to push to get everyone in the room laughing and enjoying themselves. The MC for the evening was Mary Nickles of Channel Two, who is as pleasing to the ears as to the eyes.

The high point in the award presentations was the inaugural Officer-of-the-Year Award presented to Chief Robby Russo for his dedication and leadership in planning and supervising those employees who did the organizational work to bring CHPD into existence. His vision and understanding of law enforcement were evident throughout the six-month organizing period; and his leadership skills have been used to provide direction for this cadre of experienced officers and civilians through the growing pains of a first year.

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**Officer Of The Year - 2009 James Woods**

violence, robberies, burglaries, drug busts, sexual deviants, DUI's, traffic tickets, fender-benders, and virtually everything else local police departments confront on any given day.

The awards recognized various officers, civilian personnel, and residents for their success in coping with the challenges of law enforcement. The award presentations were followed

### City Council Article Scott Bracken, District #2

## Taking Grants for Granted...

helps maintain a stable revenue stream for budgeting and better bond ratings if we have to borrow (no money has been borrowed yet). Like your property tax notice, mine has numerous separate entries (18 in my case). Each entry represents a different taxing entity that can levy a tax – and each one is under the same rules (i.e., same gross dollars each year). Because of that, my total tax bill varies by how much my home increases/decreases in value relative to the other properties in each individual taxing entities' boundaries and if any of those entities has a Truth in Taxation hearing.

In Cottonwood Heights, we have never had a Truth in Taxation hearing, so our property tax revenues have been the same (\$6.5 million/year) since incorporation. Our sales tax revenue, however, has gone from a peak of \$5.6 million in 2007 to \$4.6 million this year;

and our Class C Road funds (Gas Tax) have remained constant at about \$1.2 million while costs for road maintenance and repairs have skyrocketed.

How has Cottonwood Heights managed to maintain core services in these tight economic times with revenues declining and costs/demands going up? Just like your household, we've found more efficient ways to do our work and we've cut back on expenses. Another key to maintaining (and even improving) some services is because of the diligent work of our city staff in pursuing grant money from private, federal, state, and local entities.

For example, the city receives federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds each year. A portion of that money goes to help such programs as the Food Bank, Assist, The Road Home, and other agencies that aid

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For details about the agendas, check our web site:  
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Utah's Truth in Taxation law (How IS my Property Tax calculated?) is very confusing for many people. This year in particular, many are asking, "how can my home value go down, but my taxes stay the same (or go up!?)". The short answer is this: every city, county, special service district, or other entity that can levy a tax, is allowed no more revenue than they received the year before (with an allowance for growth) unless they have a "Truth in Taxation Hearing." Cottonwood Heights collects about \$6.5 million in property tax; so, as property values increase, the tax rate decreases to generate the same \$6.5 million in revenue. Conversely, as home and business values go down, the tax rate increases so that gross revenue stays the same (\$6.5 million). This formula



## Chief's CORNER

## Confronting Domestic Violence in Our City



**Chief Robby Russo**

September 1, 2009, marked the completion of CHPD's first year of service to the residents of Cottonwood Heights. Throughout this year, one alarming trend we have discovered is the number of domestic violence calls to which we respond. The National Institute of Justice states that domestic violence affects one in four women across the country. CHPD made 103 arrests for domestic violence related crimes. We are well aware that this number doesn't reflect the total problem because many victims suffer in silence. In an effort

to combat this pandemic, CHPD has taken the time to train its officers and is now educating the residents about why victims stay, what the law says, and how to recognize and assist a neighbor in need. This article focuses on females, who comprise the largest segment of domestic violence sufferers; however, it's important to note that men are victims also. They often suffer in silence from fear of ridicule and a concern that their abuse claims will not be believed.

The most frequent question asked following a domestic violence case is, "Why do victims stay?" The answer is multifaceted. The National Center for Victims of Crimes state that victims stay for a variety of reasons. These reasons include: fear, love, threats of suicide, religious beliefs, faith the abuser will change, self-blame, limited housing or financial means, embarrassment, and shame or threats of harm to the victim and loved ones (Bancroft, Lundy, "Why

Does He Do That?", New England Journal of Medicine).

Following is an attempt to summarize the major reasons victims stay. All of the factors are not found in every situation, but any combination is usually enough to keep women with their abusive partners (Jane, Heather, "Why Women Stay", Steps for Survivors).

**Frequency and severity:** The abuse may occur over a short period of time and the severity may vary. She then believes him when he says, "I'm sorry, it will never happen again..."

**Childhood experiences:** She may have grown up in a home where some form of abuse occurred; and she, consciously or subconsciously, accepts it as normal. The more abuse she experienced as a child, the more likely she is to stay.

**Belief that things will change:** Some victims stay because they believe therapy will help their batterers stop.

The assailants entering counseling bolsters the woman's hope about the relationship. She believes she can change him and that he can be cured.

**Economic dependence:** She may see no real alternative to staying with him. In her eyes, it may be worth putting up with abuse in order to have economic security. Economic conditions today afford women with children few viable options. She often has no marketable skills and government assistance is very limited. Her partner may control all their money and she may have no access to cash, checks or important documents.

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those in need. We have also used those funds for various studies and plans like our General Plan, the Parks, Trails, & Open Space Master Plan, a Sensitive Lands Overlay study, the design of the new Timberline Trailhead, and the city center concept plan. Each of these plans is useful to the city council as a framework within which to work when setting policy and enacting ordinances.

A variety of Homeland Security and other funds have us better prepared for an emergency situation. Thanks to grants, we now have 450 MHz radios, an Emergency Communication Center (EOC) at City Hall, an off-site (backup) EOC, ICOM radios for city officials, two radio frequencies, Emergency Communication Vests, background checks, CERT training, and a CERT trailer. The CERT equipment and supplies not paid for by grants were donated by Eagle Scout Projects.

The Big Cottonwood Trail, running from the I-215/6200 South intersection to the mouth of Big Cottonwood Canyon, is almost complete. A ZAP tax allocation of \$534,000, a state grant of \$750,000, and an UDOT Transportation Enhancement Grant of \$500,000 have paid for this great amenity in our city. The west end connects with the Holladay City bike trail under I-215, and the east end will eventually connect with the Bonneville Shoreline Trail.

CHPD has also enhanced its equipment availability through various grants and donations. Items purchased

include: both K-9 Unit dogs (\$7,000 each), the Ranger (\$16,000), 30 portable breath testers (\$700 each), 2 moving radar units (\$2,400 each), 2 hand held laser units (\$1,800 each), 2 hand held radar units (\$2,500 each), gun locks (\$5,000), interview room equipment (\$2,500), patrol mountain bikes & equipment (\$2,200), supplies for the DARE program for 5 years (\$17,000), and almost \$12,000 in ballistic vests.

Police services paid for through various grants include our victims advocate (\$39,534), narcotics enforcement program (\$13,080), Utah highway safety alcohol enforcement funds (\$20,947), Office of Criminal and Juvenile Justice (justice assistance grant) \$17,500, and emergency funds for victims of domestic violence (\$1000).

At our first birthday party celebration in January 2006, Salt Lake County Mayor Peter Corroon presented the City a check for \$3,000,000 to be used to preserve open space, trails, and parks. We have also received \$1,000,000 from the state for resurfacing Ft. Union Blvd (this project is scheduled for spring) with a full-depth reclamation process that will enable us to do the work in weeks rather than months. It also permits us to do a lot more surface area than standard reconstruction. The interchange at 3000 E. and 6200 S/I-215 is just about complete (hopefully by Christmas). While this project is funded by UDOT, through the federal stimulus package (\$780,000), Cottonwood Heights is the on-site manager and did the initial engineering to make the project shovel-

ready, which qualifies it for stimulus funds. We also have a grant to install an Automated Traffic Management System on Ft. Union Blvd. This will connect the signals with fiber-optics and, hopefully, improve coordination between intersections (\$50,000).

A "Green" grant from the Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant program (\$145,800) is being used to install LED lighting and poles on Park Centre Drive. The LED lighting lasts longer than standard bulbs, and the operational costs are significantly less.

All told, this amounts to over \$7.3 million in grants and private donations to the City that have been used to provide amenities and services we would not otherwise have. Additionally, the city was instrumental in securing \$3,661,000 in ZAP funds for the new ice rink at the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Center and in the purchase of the Timberline Trailhead properties for about \$3,400,000.

To put this in perspective, as a City (with a "seat at the table"), we have been able to secure over \$14.4 million in funds for the benefit of our citizens and our neighbors. That works out to a 44% "bonus" in services/items received over our standard \$6.5 million per year in property tax collections. We utilize our "standard" tax collections (property, sales, gas, etc.) each year to meet our basic municipal service needs. The "extras" or "bonus items" help make Cottonwood Heights a much nicer place to call home.

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Award winners for the first year of operation (September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2009) are as follows:

### Officer of the Year

**James Woods**

### Unit of the Year

**Records & Evidence Dept.**

**Sgt. Chris Gebhardt**

**Gina Talbot, Sheila Jennings**

**Renita Pullman, CSI Debra Parkin**

### Meritorious Service

**Ken Eatchel**

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**Thom Daugherty**

### Public Safety Awards

**Sgt. Dave Broadhead**

**Cpl. Heath Lowry**

**Det. Corbett Ford**

**Det. Dan Bartlett**

**Det. Steve Olson**

**Det. Todd Leiendecker**

**Off. Thom Daugherty**

**Off. Brian Eschtruth**

**CSI Debra Parkin**

### Art Brown Award

**Off. Chris McHugh**

*Photos appear on page 7 of this News Journal.*



COUNCIL DISTRICTS #3 AND #4 CONTESTED



Cottonwood Heights is holding a General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2009. This election will be held in all council districts, but only districts 3 and 4 have contested races, and district 4 has a write-in candidate. District #3 went through a Primary Election on September 15 and Don Antczak and Nicole Omer were the top two vote-getters. They will face off against each other in the General Election. In district #4, incumbent Bruce Jones, who had filed to run for that seat, has removed his name from the ballot; Bob Warnick has filed a write-in candidacy to run against Tee Tyler whose name will be on the ballot. Mayor Kelvyn Cullimore is also running for re-election but is unopposed. The candidates for the November election line up as follows:

- MAYOR:** Kelvyn H. Cullimore, Jr. (i)
- COUNCIL DISTRICT 3:** Don Antczak (i)  
Nicole Omer
- COUNCIL DISTRICT 4:** Tee W. Tyler  
Bob Warnick – *Write-in*

Council District #3 consists of the northeast quarter of the city. Its boundaries are the Holladay City line on the north, Highland Drive on the west, Wasatch Blvd. to the east and Fort Union Blvd. on the south. Added to that district is the area from Fort Union south to Bengal Blvd., between Highland Drive and 2300 East, and Fort Union south to Cavalier Dr.(approximately 7300 South), between 2300 East and 2700 East

Council District #4 is everything south of Fort Union Blvd., between approximately 3000 East and the eastern, western and southern boundaries of Butler Hill (see council district maps at [www.cottonwoodheights.utah.gov](http://www.cottonwoodheights.utah.gov)).

Voting locations are mostly the same as usual, with a couple of exceptions. To be safe, check your polling location on page 8 of this paper or at [www.clerk.slco.or/elections/2009](http://www.clerk.slco.or/elections/2009), You can also call the county clerk's office at 801-468-3427.

It is also possible to vote early by going to the Salt Lake County Clerk's Office, 2001 S. State Street, #S1100, weekdays from 8 to 5, between October 5 and October 30, 2009. Early voting is also possible at the Cottonwood Heights City Offices – 1265 East Fort Union Blvd., #250, weekdays from 9 to 5, between October 20 and October 30, 2009.

All voters should be aware that there are new voting requirements for 2009. Voters must present identification (ID) at the polls before voting. The ID must be current and show a name and photograph of the voter (Driver's License, Utah Identification Card, U.S. Passport). If one doesn't have an ID they can provide two (2) different documents that show their name and current address and be able to vote. Additional information on Municipal Election requirements are available at: [www.clerk.slco.or/elections/2009](http://www.clerk.slco.or/elections/2009).

It is now possible to register on-line to vote in the next election. By going to the clerk's website at [www.clerk.slco.org](http://www.clerk.slco.org), one can access the registration page and follow instructions there.

**Brief biographies on the District #3 and District #4 candidates follow:**

**Don J. Antczak (i)**

Don Antczak is a lifetime resident of Cottonwood Heights, born and raised in what was then known as Butlerville. He graduated from Jordan High School and attended the University of Utah. He married Maryellen Sjoblom 57 years ago. They have two sons, a daughter, twelve grandchildren, and six great grandchildren.

Don worked for forty-five years in the retail clothing industry, the last 17 years as the men's clothing buyer for ZCMI. Since retirement, he has been in real estate sales. He has served in many church and community leadership positions. While serving as Chairman of the Cottonwood Heights Community Council, he was one of the founders of the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Service District and served as a Trustee from its inception in 1967 until 2006.

He was one of five official sponsors of the Cottonwood Heights City incorporation and presently serves as the Councilman for District #3. His Council assignment is liason to Parks & Recreation, Arts Council, and Historical Committee.



**Nicole Omer**

Nicole Omer has lived in Cottonwood Heights, District #3, for nine years. She moved to the City after completing dual Bachelor's Degrees in Business and Chemistry at Southern Utah University. After moving to the Cottonwood Heights area, she completed a Masters of Business Administration at the University of Utah.

Nicole is experienced in several professional fields including healthcare research, administration and development, clinical services, finance, and private equity and consulting. Each of the positions she has held has involved taking new departments, divisions, or companies to and through the next stage of strategic growth. Nicole currently works in healthcare administration at the University of Utah Hospital.

She is active in several local volunteer organizations, including the Salt Lake Marathon, and Camp Hobe' (a summer camp for children with cancer). She also sits on the University of Utah Staff Council. Many of Nicole's immediate and extended family members also live in the Cottonwood Heights area.



**CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT FOUR:**

**Tee W. Tyler**

Tee Tyler has been a resident of Cottonwood Heights for over 33 years. He is a 1972 graduate of BYU and has worked in the banking business since that time. He and his wife Debbie, who is currently a member of the Cottonwood Heights Recreation Service Area Board of Trustees, have four children and 10 grandchildren. Tee and Debbie recently completed three years of volunteer work with the Salt Lake Valley Youth Detention Center.

A few years after graduation from BYU, Tee began his career as a banker with United Savings Bank/Western Mortgage. After 21 years with that company, part of which was as Regional Manager over residential lending, he moved to Zion's Bank where he continued his banking career for 10 years. While there he became the Manager of the Residential Mortgage Lending Department. He retired from banking a few years ago and is currently employed by Surety Title Company of Utah. In his professional career, he also was President of the Utah Mortgage Lending Association.

Tee has worked as a volunteer for Habitat for Humanity of Utah and has been involved in their fund-raising efforts. He also has been a volunteer for Salt Lake Neighborhood Housing, which is another organization that helps people get into new homes. This organization is a national non-profit organization that works to improve the housing in larger cities by tearing down old homes and building new ones.



**Bob Warnick - "Write-in"**

Bob Warnick has lived half of his adult life in Cottonwood Heights. He first moved to this area in 1966 and has lived here for a total of 21 years since that time, including the last 16 years in his current home in district 4. Bob has a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science and a Master of Public Administration Degree, both from the "U." He and his wife Carol Julian will have been married 49 years in November. They have four children and 19 grandchildren.

Bob has worked in both the public and private sectors. He has been a real estate/property management broker and an administrator for government and private business entities. His experience includes: city and county administrator, city recorder, adjunct instructor at University of Phoenix, special-interest group administrator. He has held elective positions with Cottonwood Heights Community Council, American Fork City Council, Utah County Commission, and Utah Legislature.

Bob was on the Cottonwood Heights' incorporation committee and wrote much of the informational material used in that campaign. He worked as a volunteer recorder following the election, and took minutes for the newly elected city council. He currently works part-time as the Public Relations Officer. He writes and edits the monthly News Journal. He is a military veteran and has been a volunteer in Little League, United Way, Utah Arthritis Foundation, Utah Valley Economic Development, American Fork Steel Days Chair, and in various service clubs.





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## Chief's CORNER

### Confronting Domestic Violence in Our City - *continued from page 2*

Some battered women are forced to stay because they can't afford justice. Getting personal protection or a restraining order usually requires the financial burden of hiring an attorney.

**Fear:** An abused woman believes her partner to be omnipotent. She sees no real way to protect herself from him. Unfortunately, many of her fears are justifiable. If he is reported to the police, he will often take revenge upon her. She believes she has no power to change the situation. A common way to inflict fear is for the abuser to torture and murder pets, especially pets that are important to the victim.

**Beliefs about domestic relationships:** Many peoples' beliefs fuel the flames of domestic violence. A belief in male dominance and superiority gives power to the man and a subservient position to the woman. These beliefs also seem to demand that the woman maintain the façade of a good marriage. Often she stays for "the sake of the children." She may believe that abuse is part of every marriage. Many women are raised to believe the overwhelming importance of a good relationship with a man and that good relationships are her responsibility. In many cases the domination can also lead to sexual abuse, which further degrades her and weakens the capacity to resist.

Few individuals would become involved in a relationship that they knew would result in violence. However, the mistreatment has subtle origins; so what starts out looking like a loving bond may evolve into a battered relationship. Victims are not masochists, they do not enjoy being hurt or controlled. They are in a situation they did not foresee and they feel trapped, humiliated, and alone.

Instead of asking the question, "Why do victims stay?", the more appropriate question is, "Why do abusers perpetrate?" While we are unable to answer that question, we can help victims become survivors. Utah state law provides a variety of remedies for people looking to free themselves of their abusers.

In Utah, committing an act of domestic violence in front of children is a criminal offense, and child witnesses will be included as protected victims on a protective order. The aggressor will also be charged with child abuse.

In an effort to provide assistance and resources to victims, the Utah Legislature modified the statutes. Now when an officer responds to a call and has probable cause to believe a domestic violence crime has been committed, the officer must begin the criminal charging process against the abuser. There is little discretion in these matters. The police must arrest and take the abuser into custody if the officer believes that the abuser may continue to harm or inflict

serious injury to the victim or if the suspect has violated a protective order (UCA 30-6-2).

Women are often criticized for remaining in abusive relationships; but, in reality, unless they have resources, their options are limited. CHPD has hired Ms. Jennifer Posteraro and an intern, who can provide emergency food, medical assistance, shelters, day care, and employment assistance. To overcome violence, the crime must first be reported and court action in the form of protective orders and criminal charges must be initiated. However, when the woman leaves, there is a greater potential for violence. Data from the YWCA's Women in Jeopardy Program suggests that once a man has become violent, the chances of killing his partner increase 75% if she leaves him. Many abusers believe, "If I can't have her, no one will." This appears to have been the motivation for a recent homicide within our city.

Our advocates play an essential role in keeping victims safe; for instance, should a woman decide to leave, she will require a strategic plan and legal intervention to avert separation violence. Our advocates are trained in assisting survivors in these processes and are able to refer families to appropriate community agencies.

Ms. Posteraro will assist our citizens in filing an "Ex Parte Protective Order," which may order an abuser out of the home and establish boundaries such as prohibitions on contacting the petitioner or other protected parties. It should be noted that this is only a temporary order until a hearing can be held to establish a permanent order. Violations of the protective order are treated seriously in Utah and require officers to make a custodial arrest. But it must not be assumed that this document is a magic cloak that will protect the petitioner from a determined abuser. Some victims are lured into a false sense of security by protective orders with tragic results. In some cases, a protective order functions better to augment a situation where the woman leaves.

Domestic violence crosses all racial, religious and economic barriers. However, it is clear that the better educated a woman is, the less likely she is to stay. Education and support groups are strong keys to assisting these victims. Counseling is important in the process of developing self-confidence, a belief in their autonomy, and breaking the chain of dependence.

CHPD is dedicated to helping crime victims, particularly abused women. If you, or an acquaintance need help or advice, please contact Jennifer Posteraro at (801) 944-7100.



## UFA - October Safety Message

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Salt Lake Valley Health Department (SLVHD) are predicting wide-spread infection from the H1N1 flu this winter.

Following is some general information regarding how to control the spread of the disease:

- If one is symptomatic (FEVER and sore throat or cough, with possibility of aches, congestion, vomiting and diarrhea), limit close contact with others (i.e., stay home from work/school) until 24 hours after the fever breaks
- Wash hands frequently or use alcohol-based hand cleaners
- Avoid touching eyes, nose, or mouth
- Cover mouth and nose with a tissue when sneezing, then discard the soiled tissue
- Keep up-to-date on public health information and advice
- Avoid crowds during influenza season
- Don't share personal items or drinks
- Obtain available vaccines
- If one does not have an underlying health condition (asthma, diabetes, heart disease, pregnancy, etc.), it is not recommended that medical care be sought for flu-like symptoms; however, one may want to call the doctor to see if he/she recommends prescribing an anti-viral medication over the phone.
- If experiencing an underlying health condition or severe symptoms, seek medical care. Severe symptoms include:
  - Rapid or difficult breathing
  - Inability to keep fluids down (severe vomiting)
  - Pain in the chest or abdomen
  - Sudden dizziness
  - Confusion
  - Flu-like symptoms that improve, but then return with fever and worse cough

Please visit the CDC or Salt Lake Valley Health Department websites for additional information and links to H1N1 information.



Assist Chief Mike Watson

### CITY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

All City Council business meetings are held in the council chambers, 1265 East Fort Union Blvd., Ste. 300. The work meetings are held in the conference room at the same address but in Ste. 250. The October meeting schedule is as follows:

- **Tuesday, October 6th**  
6 p.m. Work Meeting
- **Tuesday, October 13th**  
6 p.m. Work Meeting (*reconvenes following business meeting*)  
7 p.m. Business Meeting
- **Tuesday, October 20th**  
6 p.m. Work Meeting
- **Tuesday, October 27th**  
6 p.m. Work Meeting (*reconvenes following business meeting*)  
7 p.m. Business Meeting



## REMAINING PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS FOR 2009

Some of the public works projects discussed in previous issues of the NEWS JOURNAL are continuing through Fall and into Winter. Some traffic routes continue to be disrupted so pre-planning, even for short trips, is wise. Projects still on-going include:

1. Work is continuing toward completion of Big Cottonwood Canyon Trail between 3000 East and the Old Mill, then ultimately on to Wasatch Blvd. Right now, work is being done on the bridge crossing Big Cottonwood Creek and on the trail between the Old Mill Pond and the Old Mill.
2. UDOT's road widening project on Wasatch Blvd. between Ft. Union and Bengal, is continuing. This work is being done primarily to accommodate new bike paths on both sides of Wasatch. Those traveling Wasatch will continue to experience slow downs, especially as they work around the hill that protrudes into the road at about 7150 South, near the Prospector turn-off.
3. Work is also continuing on the 6200 South and 3000 East capacity improvement project. The goal of this project is to improve the vehicle flow in all directions during rush hours. The modifications will increase the number of lanes accessing the southbound freeway and hopefully eliminate the long queues that are now forming.
4. Curb and gutter work on 2300 East between I-215 and 6700 South is continuing and should be completed by November 30, 2009.
5. Slurry-sealing on Danish Road and Scottish Way should be completed within the month.
6. The trip hazard mitigation that is under construction at various locations in the City will be completed by the end of October.



## LEAF BAGS AVAILABLE

Fall yard clean-up has started and the city and county are anxious to assist you with the disposal of collected trash and leaves. You will have to rake the leaves and fill the bags yourselves, but free rolls of large, yellow bags will be available for City residents at the City offices and the Recreation Center, beginning on Thursday, October 15, 2009. After filling the bags with green waste, they can be delivered to Bywater Park (3300 East Banbury Road (7420 South). Banbury Road runs east from 2700 East, across from the Recreation Center's Tennis Courts.

## BICYCLE SAFETY TIPS

The Cottonwood Heights' Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) offers the following tip for bicycle safety:

- **The problem:** One dangerous scenario is when a car is coming towards a bicyclist from the opposite direction and decides to make a left turn in front of the bicycle, or into the bicycle. COLLISION
- **How to avoid this collision:** Bicyclists should make themselves as visible as possible by not riding on the sidewalk, using a headlight, wearing something bright, even during the day, not passing on the right, and slowing down in order to make eye contact with the driver. Even coming to a full stop may be necessary.



Friday, October 30, 2009

## HEY KIDS! Trick or Treat at City Hall

**Crafts, games, And candy**  
from 3:00 to 5:00 pm

In 2009 you can opt for fantasy and other "make believe" and be safely treated with goodies of all kinds.

Moms and Dads, avoid the dangers of door-to-door Trick or Treating by visiting the city offices and providing your children with good, non-threatening fun.

**SEE YOU THERE!!**

City Hall - 1265 E. Fort Union Blvd.

## MILL HOLLOW PARK GOES TO THE DOGS

Approximately 200 residents and their dogs (about an equal number) spent most of the day on Saturday, September 19, 2009 participating in contests and generally showing-off for their peers. The biennial Bark-in-the-Park activity for dogs and their owner's, occupied most of the day and was deemed a success by those who attended.



In addition to a fun day with man's best friend, a pet-food drive was held to gather food for the local food bank and thus help some whose pet food supply is low. Some have stated that they are to the point of having to make decisions about whether to feed the children or the dogs. The number of dogs being turned into the animal shelters has increased. With the help of Cottonwood Heights' Girl Scout Troop #2254, 667 lbs. of dog food was given to the food bank.

Activities for the day included races, a parade, a look-alike contest, a kissing contest, and a tail-wagging contest. There were also demonstrations of CHPD'S, K-9 Unit and Rocky Mountain Search and Rescue. A number of vendors occupied vendor tents on the grounds and were available to demonstrate and sell products and services. The event is sponsored by the City and is under the direction of Susannah Hutchins.

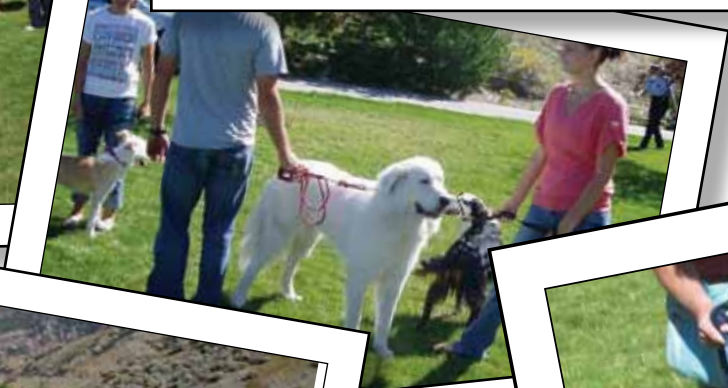
Photos of some of the attendees (both two and four legged animals) are found on page 6 of this insert.

**Bark in the Park**

October 2009



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# Cottonwood Heights Parks & Recreation

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## FALL LEARN TO SKATE LESSONS

All levels are taught for figure and hockey ice skating by our qualified instructors. Lessons include skates and six free public sessions.

**Tues. 6-6:45 PM**  
October 20, 27,  
Nov. 3, 10, 17, 24



**Fall Sessions II**  
Wed. 6-6:45 PM  
Oct. 21, 28,  
Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25



**Sat. 10-10:45 AM**  
Oct. 24, 31,  
Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28

Call 801.943.3190 x. 162 for more information or register online.

## FALL SWIMMING LESSONS

These classes help the swimmer learn basic swimming skills with a qualified swim instructor in an enjoyable and non-threatening environment.



**Fall Session III**  
Oct. 12-23

\*Sign-ups begin Oct. 7



**Fall Session IV**  
Oct. 26-Nov. 6

\*Sign-ups begin Oct. 21

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## FREE MONSTER MASH PARTY ON ICE

**Friday Oct. 30 3:00 - 5:00 PM**

**Kids twelve and under**

**Games, costume contest, prizes**

Bring all your friends and family for a smashin'good time!



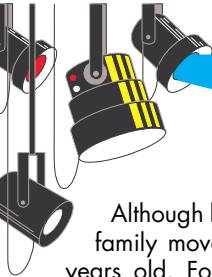
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**COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS**  
PARKS & RECREATION

## General Election voting locations are as follows:

Location	Precincts
Bella Vista Elem.	4906, 4908
Brighton High	4946, 4948
Butler Elementary	4918, 4920
Butler Middle	4916, 4950
Canyon View Elementary	4952, 4960
Cottonwood Corp. Center	4904, 4912, 4914
Cottonwood Heights Rec. Ctr.	4913, 4915, 4936
LDS Sandy, Cottonwood Creek	4942, 4944
LDS Top of the World Chapel	4956, 4962, 4964
Metro Water Plant	4966, 4968
Ridgecrest Elementary	4924, 4928
Royal Farms Apts., Clubhouse	4900, 4909, 4910
Southeast Baptist Church	4922, 4926, 4940
St. Thomas More Church	4953, 4954, 4958
Whitmore Library	4930, 4932, 4934

## COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT



Although born in California, Richard Guthrie's family moved to Utah when he was only four years old. Following his graduation from South High and spending some time at the "U" and Mesa College in Colorado, he joined the Army during the Korean Conflict. He later became a postal worker for about 10 years.

With his young family, he moved to Cottonwood Heights and began many years of service to this community. While raising his children, he volunteered in the Boy Scouts and coached little league football and baseball. Prior to the city's incorporation, he served 20 years on the Cottonwood Heights Community Council. As a representative of the council, he helped to break ground for the Whitmore Library.

In 1971, Richard became the Director of the Cottonwood Heights Parks and Recreation Service Area where he spent the next 32 years bringing about change in this community. During his tenure, he expanded the services at the Rec. Center to include a specialty pool, outdoor pool, ice rink, fitness programs, and racquet ball courts. He began the Bonnet ball and soccer recreation programs and built ten tennis courts throughout the city. He also spearheaded projects with the Jordan School District, developing a symbiotic relationship between the school and the Rec. Center. When asked about his greatest accomplishment, he notes the achievement of building the first skate park in Salt Lake County. He affectionately recalled the memory of reprimanding a



Richard L. Guthrie

young boy for skateboarding on the tennis court. The child asked him why there was no place for him to ride. This experience prompted Dick into his last expansion venture, the Guthrie Skate Park. His customer service skills were impeccable, with an undying ambition to provide services to everyone in the community.

Since retiring, he has continued his community service by driving senior citizens to doctor appointments, hospitals, and pharmacies. He also enjoys biking, jogging, reading and gardening. Richard Guthrie has truly left a legacy to Cottonwood Heights that is hard to match.



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